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FIELD OF THE INVENTION

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BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

On page 2, just before the paragraph beginning on line 24, please insert the following heading:

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

On page 3, just before the paragraph beginning on line 6, please insert the following heading:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

On page 3, just before the paragraph beginning on line 11, please insert the following heading:

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF A PREFERRED EMBODIMENT

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In Fig. 3, on a substrate 1 between contact areas 3 and 4 there is a film pattern including three parallel film lines 2a, 2b, 2c and bridges 11, 12, ... , 23, 24 therebetween, the pattern forming a surge protector resistor. The film pattern forms a serpentine which covers uniformly the area provided for the resistor. The contact areas 3 and 4 are made of conventional conductor material with good solderability while the film pattern is made of material meant for this kind of application, e.g., Dupont 7300 series material. The width of the lines may be of the order of 0.5 mm, for example. For making the distribution of the current even, the lines are advantageously manufactured in such a way that they have essentially the same resistance between the contact areas 3 and 4. Also, advantageously, the bridges at the turning areas of the serpentine are made so that the resistance of each line within the turning area is essentially the same. The current of a pulse is then distributed

evenly also within the turning area. In the figures, therefore, the bridges 11, 12; 13, 14; 15, 16 and the other similar bridges within the turning areas of the serpentine are widening towards the edge of the substrate. The trimming is here meant to be made by cutting off line ~~2e~~ 2a at suitable points. Other bridges 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24 are therefore only between lines ~~2b and 2e~~ 2a and 2b. Film lines ~~2a and 2b~~ 2b and 2c are positioned quite close to each other while line ~~2e~~ 2a is a little greater distance from line 2b for making the trimming easier.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 3, line 31 with the following new paragraph:

Fig. 4 presents an example of trimming the film pattern. In this case, the resistance within the desired tolerances is obtained by cutting off line ~~2e~~ 2a at points T5, T6, T7, T8, T9, and T10.